RECEIVED . Central fax center

Application No. 09/496,061 Response to Office Action

APR 0 1 2005

Customer No. 01933

Attorney Docket No. 00048/LH

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Masaru SUDO et al

Serial No. : 09/496,061

February 1, 2000 Filed :

ENDOSCOPE IMAGE SENSING For

METHOD AND APPARATUS

2613 Art Unit

: Shawn S. An Examiner

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 2, 2004, the term for response to which is extended by one month by Petition filed concurrently herewith to April 2, 2005.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION TO NO. 1-703-872-9306

TOTAL PAGES: 7

Amendment (7)

I hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to the Commissioner for Patents on the date noted below.

N. Jahredes

Nalini P. Sahadeo

Dated: April 1, 2005

In the event that this Paper is late filed, and the necessary petition for extension of time is not filed concurrently herewith, please consider this as a Petition for the requisite extension of time, and to the extent not tendered by form PTO-2038 attached hereto, authorization to charge the extension fee to Account